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DEPT PASS DR. BRADY, NATIONAL BUREAU OF STANDARDS

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SUBJ:27TH MEETING, CENTO SCIENTIFIC COORDINATING BOARD

1. MEETING HELD IN TEHRAN FEB. 22 AND 25 IN PRESENCE OF CENTO DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL MORRIS CRAWFORD BUT WITHOUT BENEFIT OF PAKISTANI REPRESENTATION.

2. REGIONAL BOARD MEMBERS WERE ENJOINED TO IDENTIFY NATIONAL ORGANIZATIONS PREPARED TO ACT AS HOSTS FOR SEVERAL PROPOSALS FOR COLLABORATIVE RESEARCH WHICH HAD ALREADY BEEN WELCOMED IN PRINCIPLE BY CSER: CEREAL LOSSES IN STORAGE, USE OF COMPUTERS IN SCIENTIFIC R&D, EDUCATIONAL TECHNOLOGY, NEW INDIGENOUS BUILDING MATERIALS, VILLAGE WATER PURIFICATION, AND SEWAGE DISPOSAL.

3. BOARD WELCOMED THE ANNOUNCEMENT THAT THE CENTO ECONOMIC STEERING GROUP(EXPENDED) HAD AGREED TO AN INCREASE IN THE MULTILATERAL SCIENTIFIC FUND TO A TOTAL OF 40,000 ENGLISH POUNDS.

4. SCIENTIFIC MEETINGS BEING ARRANGED FOR WHICH AMERICAN EXPERTS ARE DESIRED: PROGRAM MEETING ON PLANT PRODUCTION

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UNDER SALINE CONDITIONS, ADANA, MAY 11-13; WHEAT PESTS PROGRAM

MEETING, ANKARA, JUNE 1-3; MEDICINAL PLANTS PROGRAM MEETING, ISTANBUL, JUNE 28-30; AND SYMPOSIUM ON APPLICATIONS OF SOLAR ENERGY, TEHRAN, OCTOBER 3-5. MEDICINAL PLANTS MEETING HAS LOWER PRIORITY IF AMERICAN EXPERTS CANNOT BE SENT TO ALL OF THESE. ACTION REQUESTED: AID SEND NAMES AMERICAN EXPERTS TO EMBASSY TEHRAN FOR SCIENTIFIC SECRETARY ASAP.

5. BOARD ACCEPTED SECRETARY'S REPORT ON DOCUMENTATION CENTERS COORDINATORS' MEETING (SCB/76/1/D7) AND RECOMMENDED THAT CONSIDERATION BE GIVEN TO ESTABLISHING A DATA CENTER FOR INFORMATION ORIGINATING IN AND/OR RELEVANT TO THE DEVELOPMENT OF THE CENTO REGION. US REP DID NOT COMMIT US BUT AGREED TO APPROACH AID WASH ON PROVIDING AN EXPERT TO TOUR THE REGION TO CARRY OUT A FEASIBILITY STUDY FOR SUCH A CENTER. EXPERT WOULD ALSO BE CHARGED TO ADVISE REGIONAL COUNTRIES ON TECHNICAL PROBLEMS INVOLVED IN IMPROVING THEIR INFORMATION SYSTEMS. ACTION REQUESTED: AID REPLY ASAP WHETHER IT CAN SUPPLY SERVICES OF SUCH AN EXPERT.

6. SUBJECT WAS RAISED AS TO WHETHER CENTO SCIENTIFIC PROGRAM SHOULD SUPPORT RESEARCH IN SOCIAL SCIENCES BUT SINCE THIS IS A QUESTION OF POLICY IT WAS DEFERRED FOR CONSIDERATION AT NEXT MEETING OF CSER.

7. NEXT MEETING OF SCB TO BE HELD IN TEHRAN MAY 24-25, 1976.
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